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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2003,
Applicant amends as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the originally filed Abstract with the enclosed Replacement Abstract. A marked up version of the Abstract is enclosed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 7 and rewrite as independent Claim 9 as follows:

9. (New) A wiring connection device, wherein a substantially cylindrical-shape motor case is mounted on a cylinder block of an engine; a motor stator of an electric motor having an electricity generation function is mounted in the motor case; on the crankshaft of the engine is mounted a rotor mounting member; the motor rotor of the electric motor is mounted on the rotor mounting member; a terminal box, having vertical walls standing integrally and extending